

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Agriculture & Cooperation Department – Implementation of Price Support Scheme (PSS/MSP) for procurement of Redgram under Minimum Support Price (MSP) over and above the quantity permitted by Government of India during the Kharif Marketing Season 2017-18 –Orders –Issued.

AGRICULTURE & COOPERATION (AGRI.III) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.33

Dated: 20-03-2018.

Read the following:

1. Minimum support price declared by Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare for Kharif 2017-18 season.
2. Memo No.AGST-15/119/2017-DS1 dated:18.09.2017, issued by Special Chief Secretary to Government(Agriculture Marketing & Cooperation).
3. Letter L-15016/82/2017-MPS dated 22-01-18 and 15.03.2018 from Director (MPS), MoAFW,GOI, New Delhi.
4. From MD, A.P MARKFED, Letter No P&M/Redgram/MSP/2017-18, dated 27.02.2018.

ORDER:

In the Government Order 1st read above, the guidelines for MSP operations of pulses for Kharif Marketing Season 2017-18 were issued and communicated to the State Governments.

2. The Managing Director, A.P. MARKFED, Vijayawada has informed that, as per the Department of Agriculture, Season and Crop Coverage Report of Kharif 2017 as on 11.10.2017, the Redgram area sown in Andhra Pradesh State is 2.71 LaKh Ha. The Government of India has declared the MSP for Redgram is Rs.5450.00 per Qtls. for KMS 2017-18. With the presence of inventories with Govt. agencies and imports, the Redgram market prices reported below MSP before commencing of harvesting season. As per the Government of India existing policy guidelines, for procurement of Redgram, State Government has submitted proposals seeking permission to procure about 1.00 lakh MTs of Redgram. Whereas Government of India vide letters 3rd read above has permitted State Government to procure 55600 MTs of Redgram only. Even though A.P. Markfed procured 42771 MTs of Redgram on behalf of NAFED, there is no improvement in Redgram Market prices. To protect the framers from distress sale and to ensure MSP to the farmers there is a need to procure Redgram over and above the quantity permitted by Government of India by the State Government.

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3. After careful consideration, the Government accepts the proposal submitted by A.P.Markfed and order the following for strict compliance.

i. A.P.Markfed to continue Redgram procurement under MSP over and above the quantity permitted by Government of India by following instructions mentioned here under;

ii. The MSP fixed by the Government of the India for the KMS 2017-18 for FAQ Red gram is Rs.5450.00 per qtl shall be implemented by the Nodal Agency.

iii. To pass on benefit of the scheme to more number of small and marginal farmers, the maximum acceptable quantity from each farmer is restricted to 25 Qtls only or actual whichever is less based on extent of cultivation and productivity reported by JDA.

iv. The District Collectors of concerned districts will take necessary steps to identify the genuine farmers and arrange to issue coupons in the formats already printed and supplied. The arrivals will be regulated to the manageable limits by giving village wise/mandal wise programs to the farmers to bring their produce on specified days dates.

v. The payment of money to the farmers should be done by online payments only.

vi. The A.P. MARKFED shall operate credit line for procurement of Red gram, till such time the Marketing Department shall advance Rs.50.00 Crores to the A.P. MARKFED from AMC/ Central Market fund.

vii. Operational guidelines for MSP operations of Redgram which have been communicated for KMS 2007-08 vide G.O.Ms.No.40, CA, F& CS Department dated 24.9.2007 shall apply for KMS 2017-18 except in respect of MSP.

viii. As per the reference 2nd read above, State Government exempted Agricultural Market Committee cess for the Redgram procured under MSP during KMS 2017-18

ix. The A.P. MARKFED shall inform the State Government in advance as to the time by which procurement shall be completed so as to enable them to take a decision about disposal of the stocks.

x. The procured Redgram stocks shall be utilized for the Government programmes by the consuming departments like PDS, ICDS, Education and welfare department at the acquisition cost.

xi. To dispose the procured Redgram stocks to various government schemes/ in open market, a Disposal Committee is constituted with the following composition:-

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| 1. Special Chief Secretary, Agri & Coop. Government of A.P. | Chairperson |
| 2. VC & Managing Director, APSCSCL | Member |
| 3. Commissioner, Agricultural Marketing | Member |
| 4. Deputy Secretary to Government in Finance Department | Member |
| 5. Managing Director, Markfed | Member -Convener |

xii. AP MARKFED will be allowed incidental charges on actual which include packing material cost, hamali charges, transportation cost, godown charges, and sub agency commission etc.

xiii. After disposal of the stocks, Managing Director, AP MARKFED shall submit finalized accounts duly audited by statutory Auditors for reimbursement of losses, if any, by State Government as per the MSP guidelines in force.

4. The Redgram procured by the State Government through A.P. MARKFED is under State pool, any loss, incurred in such transaction viz., procurement expenses and difference between the economic cost and disposal by A.P. MARKFED shall be borne by the State Government.

5. The Special Commissioner of Agricultural Marketing & Director of Marketing, Andhra Pradesh State, Guntur and the Managing Director, A.P. MARKFED, Andhra Pradesh State, Vijayawada shall take further necessary action in the matter accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

B. RAJSEKHAR

SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (FAC)

To

The Special Commissioner of Agricultural Marketing &
Director of Agri. Mktg., Guntur.

The Managing Director, A.P MARKFED, Vijayawada.

The Chief Executive Officer, SERP, Andhra Pradesh State.

The Registrar, Cooperative Societies, Andhra Pradesh State, Guntur.

The Commissioner of Civil Supplies, Andhra Pradesh State, Vijayawada

Copy to:

All Collectors / Joint Collectors / District Supply Officers.

The Principal Secretary to the Hon'ble Chief Minister, Andhra Pradesh State.

The P.S to Hon'ble Minister for (Fin & CS), Andhra Pradesh State, Velagapudi.

The P. S to Hon'ble Minister for Agriculture and Horticulture, Velagapudi.

The P.S to Hon'ble Minister for Marketing, Velagapudi.

The Secretary to Govt. of India, Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public
Distribution (Department of Food & Public Distribution), Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi.
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SECTION OFFICER.